

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SHIMIZU, Atsushi et al.  
Int'l. Appl. No.: PCT/JP00/05570  
Appl. No.: New Group:  
Filed: February 19, 2002 Examiner:  
For: POLYETHER POLYURETHANE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

February 19, 2002

Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Before line 1, insert -This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP00/05570 which has an International filing date of August 18, 2000, which designated the United States of America.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Columns: Shodex OH pak SB806M (two columns) and Shodex OH pak SB802.5 (one column) (each